IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Peter Streuer

Title: RECHARGEABLE BATTERY AND SEALING PLUG FOR A

RECHARGEABLE BATTERY

Appl. No.: 10/706,726

Appl. Filing Date: 11/12/2003

Examiner: Ben Lewis

Art Unit: 1795

Confirmation No.: 7254

Atty. Dkt. No.: 054821-0877

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop **RCE**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

| 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply) | | | | | |
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| a. Pre | viously submitted: | | | | |
| [] | Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on | | | | |
| [] | Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered. | | | | |
| [] | Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on | | | | |
| [] | Other | | | | |
| b. Enc | closed are: | | | | |
| [X] | Amendment/Reply (17 pages). | | | | |
| [] | Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s). | | | | |
| [] | Information Disclosure Statement. | | | | |
| [] | Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of listed reference(s). | | | | |
| Miscellaneous | y: | | | | |
| [] | Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 | | | | |

C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

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The filing fee is calculated below:

| Claims as | Previously | y Extra Claims | Rate | | | |
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| Amended | Paid For | Present | | Fee Totals | | |
| | | | \$810.00 | = \$810.00 | | |
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| 4 | - 4 | = 0 | x \$210.00 | = \$0.00 | | |
| resentation of | any Multiple | Dependent Claims: | + \$370.00 | = \$0.00 | | |
| | | CLAIMS | FEE TOTAL: | = \$810.00 | | |
| [X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below: | | | | | | |
| on for respon | se filed within | the first month: | \$120.00 0 | \$0.00 | | |
| [X] Extension for response filed within the second month: \$460.00 | | | | | | |
| on for respon | se filed within | the third month: | \$1,050.00 | \$0.00 | | |
| [] Extension for response filed within the fourth month: \$1,640.00 | | | | | | |
| on for respon | se filed within | n the fifth month: | \$2,230.00 | \$0.00 | | |
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The above-identified fees of \$1270.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)

CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:

TOTAL FEE:

Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit

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card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /Marcus W. Sprow/

Date: April 25, 2008

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